PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q76716

Vladimir PORTNYKH, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/559,374

Group Art Unit: 2182

Confirmation No.: 3625

Examiner: NOT YET ASSIGNED

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For:

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ORGANIZATION AND INTERPRETATION OF

MULTIMEDIA DATA ON A RECORDING MEDIUM

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.47 (a)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to be permitted to proceed with the above application absent the signed Declaration and Power of Attorney by one of the multiple inventors. The grounds to the petition are fully set forth in the accompanying declarations and their exhibits.

The inventor, Vladimir Portnykh, has left the employ of the assignee and has refused to sign the Assignment and the Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above application. As shown in the accompanying declarations, Mr. Portnykh was presented with the documents and has expressly stated that i) he sees "no ground to authorize this particular patent application" and ii) not going to sign the Declaration and Assignment. Mr. Portnykh's last known address is: 17 Temple Road, Croydon, Surrey, CR0 1HU, United Kingdom.

¹ Declaration of Darryl Mexic (Attachment II).

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Respectfully submitted,

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